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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified the International Borders where infiltration is on the rise or there is a possibility of massive infiltration;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to stop all kinds of infiltration in these areas?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI)

(a) & (b): Indo-Bangladesh border is vulnerable to infiltration on account of poor economic conditions on Bangladesh side; porous and riverine border; high density of population in Bangladesh; and cultural, religious, linguistic and ethnic similarities among the people living on either side of the border. However, available reports indicate a decline in infiltration during the last four years due to erection of fencing on Indo-Bangladesh border.

(c): The Government have adopted a multi-pronged approach to check infiltration from across the border which includes, inter-alia, round the clock surveillance of the border by patrolling and by establishing observation posts; construction of border fencing and flood lighting; introduction of modern and hi-tech surveillance equipment; upgradation of intelligence set up and coordination with the State Governments and concerned intelligence agencies.